

CLAIMS

1. A recording and reproducing device comprising:
a recording/reproducing means for recording video or audio data and reproducing the recorded data;
an input area specifying means for specifying an area for inputting characters therein;
a character inputting means for inputting characters in the area specified by the input area specifying means;
a displaying means for displaying characters input by the character inputting means;
a character inputting start detecting means for detecting the beginning of inputting characters by the character inputting means while recording or reproducing data by the recording/reproducing means; and
a recording/reproducing position storing means for relationally storing: information indicating a position of recording/reproducing data by the recording/reproducing means at a time point of detection of the character inputting start by the character inputting start detecting means; a string of characters inputted by the character inputting means at that time point; and information indicating an area wherein the characters have been inputted, wherein the information indicating the position, the string of characters, and the information indicating the area are related with each other.
2. A recording and reproducing device as defined in claim 1,

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of claims 1 to 4, further comprising:

an edition instructing means for instructing edition by deleting a character stored in the record/reproduction position storing means or copying or transferring a character to another position thereof; and

an editing means for deleting a character stored in the record/reproduction position storing means or copying or transferring a character to another position thereof in response to instruction from the edition instructing means and for deleting an information indicating the position corresponding to the deleted character in the record/reproduction position storing means or storing the copied/transferred character with reference to information indicating an area whereto the character has been copied/transferred.